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Orlando Monaco
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Re: Navy Letter dated June 5, 2007 concerning 1,4-Dioxane at the Naval Air Station, Brunswick, Maine

Dear Mr. Monaco:

EPA has received the letter dated yesterday from the Navy with the subject: Eastern Plume (OU5) 1,4-Dioxane; Naval Air Station, Brunswick Maine. This proposal to perform a risk assessment to determine if the Eastern Plume remedy should include 1,4-Dioxane is unacceptable. Navy did a risk assessment for the Eastern Plume OU in the early 1990s, it was determined that a remedy was needed. The Navy implemented the remedy for the Eastern Plume OU5 in 1995. The ROD identifies Federal and State ARARs that must be met and requires aquifer restoration. Navy must adhere to the terms of the ROD. There is no option in CERCLA for the Navy to perform another risk assessment to determine if the remedy needs to continue, the ROD cleanup standards must be met.

Navy must implement an effective remedy. In not doing so, the Navy is in non-compliance with the ROD and FFA. EPA expects the Navy to provide a schedule to implement a remedy to treat the Eastern Plume contaminants, including 1,4-dioxane within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call me at (617) 918-1384.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Christine Williams".

Christine Williams, RPM
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